

ABSTRACT

A heated windshield wiper assembly having a frame structure, a blade member having a heating element positioned therein and an electrical connection structure to electrically connect the assembly to the power source of a vehicle. A thermostat is interconnected in the electrical connection structure and positioned on the wiper arm of the vehicle. The heating element is positioned within a bore of the blade member and is automatically activated when the thermostat senses a predetermined temperature near and above freezing. The heated windshield wiper assembly of the invention provides increased visibility to the driver of a vehicle during harsh winter conditions because snow and ice buildup is lessened or eliminated by the wiper assembly. The assembly is constructed so that various parts and elements of the wiper assembly are easily removable, so that replacement can be easily accomplished.